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Office of Ethnic Affairs to participate at the National Hispanic/Latino Affairs Summit

Luz Robles, director of the Office of Ethnic Affairs and Leo Gonzalez, director of Hispanic/Latino Affairs, will attend the National Hispanic/Latino American Affairs State Commissions Summit December 7, 2005 through December 9, 2005 in Kansas, Missouri to present the newly created Office of Ethnic Affairs structure and mission to other state entities.

"The Office of Ethnic Affairs is unique in that it builds strength in numbers by uniting the Asian, Black, Hispanic/Latino and Pacific Islander communities into one, creating a stronger force and voice" said Robles.

The summit will allow state entities to share their effective proven strategies, best practices, understand how each office is structured, staffed, and operated, and to discuss issues impacting the communities in different states.

"This is an opportunity to learn what other states are doing and learn what works and what doesn't" said Robles.
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